

Do You Know...

Food Stamp (FS) applications must be:

- Approved by the 30th day from the application date.
- Denied on or after the 30th day from the application date.

The 30th day count begins the day after the application date:

- The application date is day zero (0).
- Day one (1) is the day after the SAWS 1 is received in the local office.

Example: A FS household applies on 3/1. The household does not attend the interview appointment. The denial is completed on 3/31st, the 30th day after the application date.

If the 30 th day falls on...	Then...
A weekend or holiday	Deny the application the first working day <u>after</u> the weekend or holiday. Action <u>cannot</u> be taken prior to the 30 th day. Completing the denial before the 30 th day may result in a FS Negative Error.
The EW's day off (9/80, vacation, sick day, etc.)	The EW's unit is responsible for completing the denial.

Do You Know...

When denying a Food Stamp application because the household missed their scheduled interview, at intake or at Recertification, a DFA 386 - Notice of Missed Interview (NOMI) must be sent to the household.

The NOMI informs the household that they may contact the TAD office and request a second interview within 30 days of the application date.

Failing to send the NOMI to the household invalidates the denial action.

For more information, see FSPHB, Chapter 1 – Application, page 1-11.

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